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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Members
FROM: Henry Jennings
SUBJECT: Unauthorized Application of Pesticides, Revised Language
DATE: September 6, 2006

At the July 21, 2006 Board Meeting, the staff presented draft language to explicitly prohibit application of pesticides without the authorization of the landowner, manager or legal occupant. Board members pointed out that there needs to be a provision for treating easements. In addition, members asked the staff to explore language that would require applicator companies to update the authorization annually.

The staff worked with Assistant Attorney General Randlett to rework the original draft. The new language (attached) does not require annual updates of spray contracts but does require signed, written agreements with a specified termination date whenever there is an agreement for ongoing pesticide application services.